In the Senate of the United States, July 31, 1996.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 3675) entitled "An Act making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes", do pass with the following

AMENDMENTS:

- 1 (1)Page 2, line 10, strike out [\$53,816,000] and insert:
- 2 \$53,376,000

3 (2)Page 2, line 10, after "53,816,000," insert: of which
4 such sums as necessary shall be used to investigate anti-

5 competitive practices in air transportation, enforce section

6 41712 of title 49, and report to Congress by the end of the

7 fiscal year on its progress to address anticompetitive prac-8 tices, and

9 (3)Page 4, line 9, strike out [\$10,000,000] and insert:
10 \$25,900,000

- (4)Page 4, line 13, strike out [\$10,000,000] and insert:
 \$25,900,000
- 3 (5)Page 5, line 6, strike out [\$28,600,000] and insert:
 4 \$12,700,000
- 5 (6)Page 5, line 16, strike out [\$127,447,000] and insert:
 6 \$129,500,000
- 7 (7)Page 5, line 24, strike out [\$17,294,000] and insert:
 8 \$17,192,000
- 9 (8)Page 7, line 3, strike out [\$2,609,100,000] and in10 sert: \$2,331,350,000
- 11 (9)Page 7, line 23, strike out [\$358,000,000] and insert:
 12 \$393,100,000
- 13 (10)Page 7, line 25 strike out [\$205,600,000] and in14 sert: \$227,960,000
- 15 (11)Page 8, line 3, strike out [\$18,300,000] and insert:
 16 \$19,040,000
- 17 (12)Page 8, line 5, strike out [\$39,900,000] and insert:
 18 \$46,200,000
- 19 (13)Page 8, line 7, strike out [\$47,950,000] and insert:
 20 \$52,900,000

- (14)Page 8, line 9, strike out [\$46,250,000] and insert:
 \$47,000,000
- 3 (15) Page 8, line 18, strike out all after "appropriation"
- 4 down to and including "\$338,000,000" in line 21
- 5 (16)Page 8, line 21, strike out all after "\$338,000,000"
- 6 down to and including "Program" in line 23
- 7 (17)Page 9, strike out lines 1 through 6
- 8 (18)Page 9, line 11, strike out [\$21,000,000] and insert:
 9 \$23,000,000
- 10 (19)Page 9, after line 11 insert:
- 11 PORT SAFETY DEVELOPMENT
- For necessary expenses for debt retirement of the Port
 of Portland, Oregon, \$5,000,000, to remain available until
 expended.
- 15 (20)Page 9, line 14, strike out [\$16,000,000] and insert:
 16 \$10,000,000
- 17 (21)Page 10, line 11, strike out [\$19,000,000] and in18 sert: \$19,550,000
- 19 (22)Page 10, line 22, strike out [\$35,000,000] and in20 sert: \$10,000,000

- (23)Page 11, line 14, strike out [\$4,900,000,000] and
 insert: \$4,899,957,000
- 3 (24)Page 11, line 15, strike out [\$1,642,500,000] and
 4 insert: \$2,742,602,000
- 5 (25)Page 11, line 17, strike out [\$30,000,000] and in6 sert: \$75,000,000
- 7 (26)Page 12, line 2, strike out [\$2,127,398,000] and in8 sert: \$2,082,355,000
- 9 (27)Page 12, line 2, strike out all after
 10 "\$2,127,398,000" down to and including "States" in line
 11 5
- 12 (28)Page 13, line 23, strike out [\$1,800,000,000] and
 13 insert: \$1,788,700,000
- 14 (29)Page 13, line 24, strike out [\$1,583,000,000] and
 15 insert: \$1,571,700,000
- 16 (30)Page 14, line 13, strike out [\$185,000,000] and in17 sert: \$188,490,000
- 18 (31)Page 15, line 8, strike out [\$1,300,000,000] and in19 sert: \$1,460,000,000
- 20 (32)Page 15, after line 23 insert:

 $\mathbf{5}$ Administrative Services Franchise Fund 1 2 There is hereby established in the Treasury a fund, to 3 be available without fiscal year limitation, for the costs of 4 capitalizing and operating such administrative services as 5 the FAA Administrator determines may be performed more advantageously as centralized services, including account-6 7 ing, international training, payroll, travel, duplicating, 8 multimedia and information technology services: Provided, 9 That any inventories, equipment, and other assets pertain-10 ing to the services to be provided by such fund, either on hand or on order, less the related liabilities or unpaid obli-11 12 gations, and any appropriations made prior to the current year for the purpose of providing capital shall be used to 13 capitalize such fund: Provided further. That such fund shall 14 15 be paid in advance from funds available to the FAA and other Federal agencies for which such centralized services 16 are performed, at rates which will return in full all expenses 17 of operation, including accrued leave, depreciation of fund 18 plant and equipment, amortization of Automated Data 19

20 Processing (ADP) software and systems (either required or 21 donated), and an amount necessary to maintain a reason-22 able operating reserve, as determined by the FAA Adminis-23 trator: Provided further, That such fund shall provide serv-24 ices on a competitive basis: Provided further, That an 25 amount not to exceed four percent of the total annual in-

come to such fund may be retained in the fund for fiscal 1 2 year 1997 and each year thereafter, to remain available until expended, to be used for the acquisition of capital 3 4 equipment and for the improvement and implementation of FAA financial management, ADP, and support systems: 5 Provided further, That no later than thirty days after the 6 7 end of each fiscal year, amounts in excess of this reserve 8 limitation shall be transferred to miscellaneous receipts in the Treasury. 9

- 10 (33)Page 16, line 6, strike out [\$510,981,000] and in11 sert: \$534,846,000
- 12 (34)Page 16, line 10, strike out [\$214,698,000] and in13 sert: \$234,840,000
- 14 (35)Page 17, line 1, strike out [\$17,550,000,000] and
 15 insert: \$17,650,000,000
- 16 (36)Page 17, strike out lines 19 through 21 and insert:
 17 For the cost of direct loans, \$8,000,000, as authorized
- 18 by section 108 of title 23, United States Code.
- 19 (37)Page 18, line 10, strike out [\$77,425,000] and in20 sert: \$79,000,000
- 21 (38)Page 18, after line 10 insert:

STATE INFRASTRUCTURE BANKS

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(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

3 To carry out the State Infrastructure Bank Pilot Program (Public Law 104–59, section 350), \$250,000,000, to 4 5 be derived from the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended, to be distributed by the Secretary 6 7 to more than 10 States: Provided, That these funds shall 8 be used to advance projects or programs under the terms 9 and conditions of section 350: Provided further, That any 10 State that receives such funds may deposit any portion of those funds into either the highway or transit account of 11 the State Infrastructure Bank: Provided further, That the 12 13 funds appropriated and deposited into transit accounts authorized by section 350(b)(3) shall be drawn from the Mass 14 15 Transit account of the Highway Trust Fund and that funds appropriated and deposited into highway accounts author-16 ized by section 350(b)(2) shall be drawn from the Highway 17 18 Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account): Provided further, That the Secretary shall ensure that the Fed-19 eral disbursements shall be at a rate consistent with historic 20 21 rates for the Federal-aid highways program.

22 (39)Page 18, line 18, strike out [\$81,895,000] and in23 sert: \$80,000,000

- 24 (40)Page 19, line 10, strike out [\$50,377,000] and in-
- 25 sert: \$53,195,000 HR 3675 EAS

- (41)Page 19, line 19, strike out [\$167,100,000] and in sert: \$169,100,000
- 3 (42)Page 19, line 25, strike out [\$167,100,000] and in4 sert: \$169,100,000
- 5 (43)Page 20, line 1, strike out [\$127,700,000] and in6 sert: \$129,700,000
- 7 (44)Page 20, line 4, strike out [\$11,000,000] and insert:
 8 \$12,000,000
- 9 (45)Page 20, line 6, strike out [\$26,000,000] and insert:
 10 \$25,000,000
- 11 (46)Page 20, line 12, strike out [\$5,268,000] and insert:
 12 \$5,468,000
- 13 (47)Page 21, line 4, strike out [\$16,469,000] and insert:
 14 \$16,739,000
- 15 (48)Page 22, line 16, strike out [\$20,341,000] and in16 sert: \$20,000,000
- 17 (49)Page 22, after line 17 insert:
- 18 Northeast Corridor Improvement Program
- 19 For necessary expenses related to Northeast Corridor
- 20 improvements authorized by title VII of the Railroad Revi-
- 21 talization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, as amended

1 (45 U.S.C. 851 et seq.) and 49 U.S.C. 24909, \$200,000,000,

2 to remain available until September 30, 1999.

- 3 (50)Page 23, line 13, strike out [1997.] and insert:
 4 1997, except for up to \$75,000,000 in loan guarantee com5 mitments during such fiscal year (and \$4,158,000 is hereby
 6 made available for the cost of such loan guarantee commit7 ments).
- 8 (51)Page 23, line 17, strike out [\$19,757,000] and in9 sert: \$26,525,000
- 10 (52)Page 23, line 21, strike out [track and signal] and
 11 insert: track, signal and station

12 (53)Page 24, after line 11 insert:

13 Alaska Railroad Rehabilitation

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make
grants to the Alaska Railroad, \$10,000,000 shall be for capital rehabilitation and improvements benefiting its passenger operations.

18 (54)Page 24, line 16, strike out [\$4,000,000] and insert:
19 \$10,000,000

20 (55)Page 24, line 24, strike out [\$10,000,000] and in21 sert: \$16,000,000

- 1 (56)Page 25, strike out all after line 3 over to and includ-
- 2 ing line 2 on page 26
- 3 (57)Page 26, line 7, strike out [\$462,000,000] and in4 sert: \$592,000,000
- 5 (58)Page 26, line 10, strike out [\$120,000,000] and in6 sert: \$250,000,000
- 7 (59)Page 26, line 24, strike out [\$41,367,000] and in8 sert: \$42,147,000
- 9 (60)Page 27, line 4, strike out [\$490,000,000] and in10 sert: \$218,335,000
- 11 (61)Page 27, line 5, strike out [\$2,052,925,000] and in12 sert: \$2,149,185,000
- 13 (62)Page 27, line 6, after "That" insert: , notwithstand14 ing any other provision of law,
- 15 (63)Page 29, line 9, strike out [\$1,665,000,000] and in16 sert: \$1,900,000,000
- 17 (64)Page 29, line 11, after "That" insert: notwithstand-
- 18 ing any provision of law,
- 19 (65)Page 29, line 12, strike out [\$666,000,000] and in-
- 20 sert: \$725,000,000

- (66)Page 29, line 15, strike out [\$333,000,000] and in sert: \$375,000,000
- 3 (67)Page 29, line 17, strike out [\$10,510,000] and in4 sert: \$8,890,000
- 5 (68)Page 30, line 5, strike out [\$666,000,000] and in6 sert: \$800,000,000
- 7 (69)Page 30, after line 7 insert:
- 8 \$6,390,000 for the Alaska-Hollis to Ketchikan
 9 ferry project;
- 10 (70)Page 30, line 8, strike out [\$66,820,000] and insert:
 11 \$62,000,000
- 12 (71)Page 30, line 10, strike out [\$10,260,000] and in13 sert: \$5,000,000
- 14 (72)Page 30, line 12, strike out [\$40,181,000] and in15 sert: \$30,000,000
- 16 (73)Page 30, after line 13 insert:
- 17 \$2,000,000 for the Burlington-Charlotte, Vermont
 18 commuter rail project;
- **19** (74)Page 30, strike out lines 14 and 15
- 20 (75)Page 30, line 16, strike out [\$25,000,000] and in-
- 21 sert: \$20,000,000

- 1 (76)Page 30, line 21, strike out [\$10,000,000] and in-
- 2 sert: \$12,000,000
- 3 (77)Page 30, line 23, strike out [\$12,500,000] and in-
- 4 sert: \$18,000,000
- 5 (78)Page 31, strike out lines 1 and 2
- 6 (79)Page 31, strike out lines 3 and 4
- 7 (80)Page 31, line 5, strike out [\$9,000,000] and insert:
- 8 \$20,000,000
- 9 (81)Page 31, strike out line 7
- 10 (82)Page 31, line 8, strike out [\$40,590,000] and insert:
- 11 \$24,000,000
- 12 (83)Page 31, after line 9 insert:
- 13 \$7,400,000 for the Jackson, Mississippi Inter-
- 14 *modal Corridor;*
- 15 (84)Page 31, strike out lines 10 and 11
- 16 (85)Page 31, line 12, strike out [\$1,500,000] and insert:
- 17 *\$3,600,000*
- 18 (86)Page 31, after line 13 insert:
- 19 \$6,000,000 for the Little Rock, Arkansas Junc-
- 20 tion Bridge project;

- 1 (87)Page 31, line 14, strike out [\$90,000,000] and in-
- 2 sert: \$55,000,000
- 3 (88)Page 31, strike out lines 16 and 17
- 4 (89)Page 31, line 18, strike out [\$27,000,000] and in-
- 5 sert: \$50,000,000
- 6 (90)Page 31, after line 19 insert:
- 7 \$5,000,000 for the Metro-Dade Transit east-west
- 8 *corridor, Florida project;*
- 9 (91)Page 31, strike out lines 20 and 21
- 10 (92)Page 31, line 22, strike out [\$2,000,000] and insert:
- 11 \$6,400,000
- 12 (93)Page 31, after line 23 insert:
- 13 \$4,240,000 for the Morgantown, West Virginia
- 14 Personal Rapid Transit System;
- 15 (94)Page 32, strike out lines 3 and 4
- 16 (95)Page 32, line 5, strike out [\$8,000,000] and insert:
- 17 *\$10,000,000*
- 18 (96)Page 32, strike out lines 7 and 8
- **19** (97)Page 32, strike out lines 11 and 12
- 20 (98)Page 32, after line 12 insert:

1	\$10,000,000 for the Oklahoma City, MAPS cor-
2	ridor transit system;
3	(99)Page 32, strike out lines 13 and 14
4	(100)Page 32, after line 16 insert:
5	\$15,100,000 for the Pittsburgh Airport busway
6	project;
7	(101)Page 32, after line 16 insert:
8	\$6,000,000 for the Portland South/North light
9	rail transit project;
10	(102)Page 32, line 17, strike out [\$90,000,000] and in-
11	sert: <i>\$138,000,000</i>
12	(103)Page 32, after line 18 insert:
13	\$5,000,000 for the Research Triangle Park,
14	North Carolina regional transit plan;
15	(104)Page 32, line 19, strike out [\$6,000,000] and in-
16	sert: <i>\$7,000,000</i>
17	(105)Page 32, line 21, strike out [\$20,000,000] and in-
18	sert: <i>\$58,000,000</i>
19	(106)Page 32, line 22, strike out all after "project" down
20	to and including "costs" in line 24
21	(107)Page 32, after line 24 insert:

\$30,000,000 for	St. Louis	Metrolink;
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- 2 (108)Page 33, line 1, strike out [\$20,000,000] and in3 sert: \$45,000,000
- 4 (109)Page 33, line 3, strike out [\$35,000,000] and in-
- 5 sert: *\$20,000,000*

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- 6 (110)Page 33, strike out lines 6 and 7
- 7 (111)Page 33, strike out lines 8 and 9
- 8 (112)Page 33, after line 9 insert:
- 9 \$5,000,000 for the Seattle-Renton-Tacoma light
- 10 *rail project;*
- 11 (113)Page 33, strike out lines 10 and 11
- 12 (114)Page 33, line 13, strike out [and]
- 13 (115)Page 33, after line 13 insert:
- 14 \$8,000,000 for the Virginia Rail Express Rich-
- 15 mond to Washington commuter rail project; and
- 16 (116)Page 33, line 14, strike out [\$2,500,000] and in-
- 17 sert: \$5,000,000
- 18 (117)Page 33, line 21, strike out [\$2,000,000,000] and
- 19 insert: \$2,300,000,000

- (118)Page 34, line 5, strike out [\$200,000,000] and in sert: \$198,510,000
- 3 (119)Page 34, line 24, strike out [\$10,037,000] and in4 sert: \$10,337,000
- 5 (120)Page 35, line 6, strike out [\$23,929,000] and in6 sert: \$27,675,000
- 7 (121)Page 35, line 22, strike out [\$30,988,000] and in8 sert: \$31,278,000
- 9 (122)Page 35, line 25, strike out [\$28,460,000] and in10 sert: \$28,750,000
- 11 (123)Page 36, line 23, strike out [\$39,450,000] and in12 sert: \$39,700,000
- 13 (124)Page 36, strike out all after line 23 down to and
 14 including "audits" in line 25 and insert: of which
 15 \$1,900,000 shall be for the conduct of contract audits
- 16 (125)Page 37, line 8, after "1997:" insert: Provided fur17 ther, That none of the funds appropriated in this Act or
 18 otherwise made available may be used to increase fees for
 19 services in connection with rail maximum rate complaints,
 20 pursuant to 49 CFR part 1002, STB Ex Parte No. 542:
 21 (126)Dec 49 Figure 17 at Figure 16 and 5 and 5
- 21 (126)Page 42, line 17, strike out [program,] and insert:
 22 program;

(127)Page 42, line 18, strike out [program, and] and
 insert: *program*;

3 (128)Page 42, line 22, after "5338" insert: ; \$5,000,000 for activities authorized by section 140(b) of title 23, United 4 States Code; \$5,000,000 for activities authorized by section 5 1012(b) of Public Law 102–240; and \$50,000,000 of the ob-6 ligation limitation established by this Act for Federal-aid 7 8 highways and highway safety construction: Provided, That 9 \$15,000,000 of such undistributed obligation limitation 10 shall be available for administrative costs and allocation 11 to States under section 104(I) of title 23. United States 12 Code; \$30,000,000 shall be available for allocation to States 13 authorized by section 1069(y) of Public Law 102–240; and \$15,000,000 shall be available for administrative costs and 14 15 allocation to States under section 1302(d) of the Symms National Recreational Trails Act of 1991 16

- 17 (129)Page 42, line 22, strike out [*Provided*,] and insert:
 18 Provided further,
- 19 (130)Page 44, after line 4 insert:
- 20 (g) Increase in Administrative Takedown.—
- (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
 provision of law, for fiscal year 1997 only, whenever
 an allocation is made of the sums authorized to be
 appropriated for expenditure on the Federal lands

1	highways program, and whenever an apportionment
2	is made of the sums authorized to be appropriated for
3	expenditure on the surface transportation program,
4	the congestion mitigation and air quality improve-
5	ment program, the National Highway System, the
6	Interstate maintenance program, the Interstate reim-
7	bursement program, the highway bridge replacement
8	and rehabilitation program, and the donor State
9	bonus program, the Secretary of Transportation shall
10	deduct a sum in such amount not to exceed $4^{3/_4}$ per
11	centum of all sums to be authorized as the Secretary
12	may determine necessary for administering the provi-
13	sions of law to be financed from appropriations for
14	the Federal-Aid Highway Program and for carrying
15	on the research authorized by subsections (a) and (b)
16	of section 307 of title 23, United States Code. In mak-
17	ing such determination, the Secretary shall take into
18	account the unobligated balance of any sums deducted
19	for such purposes in prior years. The sum so deducted
20	shall remain available until expended.
21	(2) EFFECT.—Any deduction by the Secretary of
22	Transportation in accordance with this Act shall be

23 deemed to be a deduction under 23 U.S.C. § 104(a).

24 (131)Page 48, strike out lines 1 through 8

(132)Page 48, line 12, after "Colorado" insert: : Pro vided, That this provision shall not apply in any case where
 the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration
 determines, in writing, that safety conditions warrant obli gation of such funds

- 6 (133)Page 48, line 22, strike out all after "further," over
 7 to and including "collections" in line 3 on page 49 and
 8 insert: That of the funds provided by section 6006(b) of
 9 Public Law 102-240, not to exceed \$3,100,000 may be in-
- 10 curred to conduct activities related to airline statistics
- 11 (134)Page 51, strike out lines 3 through 5
- 12 (135)Page 51, line 6, strike out [\$850,000] and insert:
 13 \$1,050,000
- 14 (136)Page 51, strike out lines 17 through 19
- 15 (137)Page 51, after line 19 insert:
- 16 SEC. 333. Section 24902 of title 49, United States
 17 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new
 18 subsection:
- "(m) APPLICABLE PROCEDURES.—No State or local
 building, zoning, subdivision, or similar or related law, nor
 any other State or local law from which a project would
 be exempt if undertaken by the Federal Government or an
 agency thereof within a Federal enclave wherein Federal ju-

risdiction is exclusive, including without limitation with 1 respect to all such laws referenced herein above requirements 2 3 for permits, actions, approvals or filings, shall apply in 4 connection with the construction, ownership, use, operation, 5 financing, leasing, conveying, mortgaging or enforcing a mortgage of (i) any improvement undertaken by or for the 6 7 benefit of Amtrak as part of, or in furtherance of, the North-8 east Corridor Improvement Project (including without limi-9 tation maintenance, service, inspection or similar facilities 10 acquired, constructed or used for high speed trainsets) or chapter 241, 243, or 247 of this title or (ii) any land (and 11 12 right, title or interest created with respect thereto) on which such improvement is located and adjoining, surrounding or 13 any related land. These exemptions shall remain in effect 14 15 and be applicable with respect to such land and improvements for the benefit of any mortgagee before, upon and 16 after coming into possession of such improvements or land, 17 18 any third party purchasers thereof in foreclosure (or 19 through a deed in lieu of foreclosure), and their respective successors and assigns, in each case to the extent the land 20 21 or improvements are used, or held for use, for railroad pur-22 poses or purposes accessory thereto. This subsection (m) 23 shall not apply to any improvement or related land unless 24 Amtrak receives a Federal operating subsidy in the fiscal

year in which Amtrak commits to or initiates such im provement.".

- 3 (138)Page 52, after line 11 insert:
- 4 SEC. 335a. Section 3035(b) of Public Law 102–240 is
 5 hereby amended by striking "\$515,000,000" and inserting
 6 in lieu thereof "\$555,000,000".
- 7 (139)Page 52, strike out lines 21 through 25
- 8 (140)Page 53, strike out lines 1 through 4
- 9 (141)Page 53, after line 4 insert:

10 SEC. 338. Of the amounts made available under the 11 Federal Transit Administration's Discretionary Grants 12 program for Kauai, Hawaii, in Public Law 103–122 and 13 Public Law 103–331, \$3,250,000 shall be transferred to and 14 administered in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5311 and made 15 available to Kauai, Hawaii.

16 (142)Page 53, strike out lines 5 through 7

17 (143)Page 53, after line 7 insert:

18 SEC. 339. Improvements identified as highest priority
19 by section 1069(t) of Public Law 102–240 and funded pur20 suant to section 118(c)(2) of title 23, United States Code,
21 shall not be treated as an allocation for Interstate mainte22 nance for such fiscal year under section 157(a)(4) of title
23 23, United States Code, and sections 1013(c), 1015(a)(1),
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and 1015(b)(1) of Public Law 102–240: Provided, That any
 discretionary grant made pursuant to Public Law 99–663
 shall not be subject to section 1015 of Public Law 102–240.

4 (144)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

5 SEC. 341. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
6 receipts, in amounts determined by the Secretary, collected
7 from users of fitness centers operated by or for the Depart8 ment of Transportation shall be available to support the
9 operation and maintenance of those facilities.

10 (145)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

11 SEC. 342. None of the funds made available in this 12 Act may be used by the National Transportation Safety 13 Board to plan, conduct, or enter into any contract for a 14 study to determine the feasibility of allowing individuals 15 who are more than 60 years of age to pilot commercial air-16 craft.

17 (146)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

18 SEC. 343. Funds provided in this Act for bonuses and
19 cash awards for employees of the Department of Transpor20 tation shall be reduced by \$513,604 which limits fiscal year
21 1997 obligation authority to no more than \$25,448,300:
22 Provided, That this provision shall be applied to funds for
23 Senior Executive Service bonuses, merit pay, and other bo24 nuses and cash awards.

1 (147)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

2 SEC. 344. Hereinafter, the National Passenger Rail-3 road Corporation shall be exempted from any State or local 4 law relating to the payment or delivery of abandoned or 5 unclaimed personal property to any government authority, including any provision for the enforcement thereof, with 6 7 respect to passenger rail tickets for which no refund has 8 been or may be claimed, and such law shall not apply to 9 funds held by Amtrak as a result of the purchase of tickets after April 30, 1972 for which no refund has been claimed. 10

11 (148)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

SEC. 345. Notwithstanding any other provision in law, of the amounts made available under the Federal Aviation Administration's operations account, the FAA shall provide personnel at Dutch Harbor, Alaska to provide real-time weather and runway observation and other such functions to help ensure the safety of aviation operations.

18 (149)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

19 SEC. 346. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION VOLUNTARY

- 20 SEPARATION INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.
- 21 (a) DEFINITIONS.—For the purposes of this section—
- 22 (1) the term "agency" means the following agen-
- 23 *cies of the Department of Transportation:*
- 24 (A) the United States Coast Guard;

1	(B) the Research and Special Programs Ad-
2	ministration;
3	(C) the St. Lawrence Seaway Development
4	Corporation;
5	(D) the Office of the Secretary;
6	(E) the Federal Railroad Administration;
7	and
8	(F) any other agency of the Department
9	with respect to employees of such agency in posi-
10	tions targeted for reduction under the National
11	Performance Review;
12	(2) the term "employee" means an employee (as
13	defined by section 2105 of title 5, United States Code)
14	who is employed by the agency serving under an ap-
15	pointment without time limitation, and has been cur-
16	rently employed for a continuous period of at least 3
17	years, but does not include—
18	(A) a reemployed annuitant under sub-
19	chapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84 of title
20	5, United States Code, or another retirement sys-
21	tem for employees of the agency;
22	(B) an employee having a disability on the
23	basis of which such employee is or would be eli-
24	gible for disability retirement under the applica-

1	ble retirement system referred to in subpara-
2	graph (A);
3	(C) an employee who is in receipt of a spe-
4	cific notice of involuntary separation for mis-
5	conduct or unacceptable performance;
6	(D) an employee who, upon completing an
7	additional period of service as referred to in sec-
8	tion 3(b)(2)(B)(ii) of the Federal Workforce Re-
9	structuring Act of 1994 (5 U.S.C. 5597 note),
10	would qualify for a voluntary separation incen-
11	tive payment under section 3 of such Act;
12	(E) an employee who has previously re-
13	ceived any voluntary separation incentive pay-
14	ment by the Federal Government under this sec-
15	tion or any other authority and has not repaid
16	such payment;
17	(F) an employee covered by statutory reem-
18	ployment rights who is on transfer to another or-
19	ganization; or
20	(G) any employee who, during the twenty
21	four month period preceding the date of separa-
22	tion, has received a recruitment or relocation
23	bonus under section 5753 of title 5, United
24	States Code, or who, within the twelve month pe-
25	riod preceding the date of separation, received a

1 retention allowance under section 5754 of title 5, 2 United States Code. (b) AGENCY STRATEGIC PLAN.— 3 4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The head of an agency, prior 5 to obligating any resources for voluntary separation 6 incentive payments, shall submit to the House and 7 Senate Committees on Appropriations and the Com-8 mittee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the 9 Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of 10 the House of Representatives a strategic plan outlin-11 ing the intended use of such incentive payments and 12 a proposed organizational chart for the agency once 13 such incentive payments have been completed. 14 (2) CONTENTS.—The agency's plan shall include— 15 16 (A) the positions and functions to be re-17 duced or eliminated, identified by organizational 18 unit, geographic location, occupational category 19 and grade level;

20 (B) the number and amounts of voluntary
21 separation incentive payments to be offered; and
22 (C) a description of how the agency will op23 erate without the eliminated positions and func24 tions.

1	(c) Authority To Provide Voluntary Separation
2	Incentive Payments.—
3	(1) IN GENERAL.—A voluntary separation incen-
4	tive payment under this section may be paid by an
5	agency to any employee only to the extent necessary
6	to eliminate the positions and functions identified by
7	the strategic plan.
8	(2) Amount and treatment of payments.—A
9	voluntary separation incentive payment—
10	(A) shall be paid in a lump sum after the
11	employee's separation;
12	(B) shall be paid from appropriations or
13	funds available for the payment of the basic pay
14	of the employees;
15	(C) shall be equal to the lesser of—
16	(i) an amount equal to the amount the
17	employee would be entitled to receive under
18	section 5595(c) of title 5, United States
19	Code; or
20	(ii) an amount determined by an agen-
21	cy head not to exceed \$25,000 in fiscal year
22	1997, \$20,000 in fiscal year 1998, \$15,000
23	in fiscal year 1999, or \$10,000 in fiscal
24	year 2000;

1	(D) shall not be a basis for payment, and
2	shall not be included in the computation, of any
3	other type of Government benefit; and
4	(E) shall not be taken into account in deter-
5	mining the amount of any severance pay to
6	which the employee may be entitled under section
7	5595 of title 5, United States Code, based on any
8	other separation.
9	(3) LIMITATION.—No amount shall be payable
10	under this section based on any separation occurring
11	before the date of the enactment of this Act, or after
12	September 30, 2000.
13	(d) Additional Agency Contributions to the Re-
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14	TIREMENT FUND.—
14 15	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay-
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15 16	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay- ments which it is required to make under subchapter
15 16 17	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay- ments which it is required to make under subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, an
15 16 17 18	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay- ments which it is required to make under subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, an agency shall remit to the Office of Personnel Manage-
15 16 17 18 19	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay- ments which it is required to make under subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, an agency shall remit to the Office of Personnel Manage- ment for deposit in the Treasury of the United States
15 16 17 18 19 20	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay- ments which it is required to make under subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, an agency shall remit to the Office of Personnel Manage- ment for deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Civil Service Retirement and Dis-
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any other pay- ments which it is required to make under subchapter III of chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, an agency shall remit to the Office of Personnel Manage- ment for deposit in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Civil Service Retirement and Dis- ability Fund an amount equal to 15 percent of the

untary separation incentive has been paid under this
 section.

3 (2) DEFINITION.—For the purpose of paragraph
4 (1), the term "final basic pay", with respect to an
5 employee, means the total amount of basic pay which
6 would be payable for a year of service by such em7 ployee, computed using the employee's final rate of
8 basic pay, and, if last serving on other than a full9 time basis, with appropriate adjustment therefor.

10 (e) EFFECT OF SUBSEQUENT EMPLOYMENT WITH THE 11 GOVERNMENT.—An individual who has received a vol-12 untary separation incentive payment under this section 13 and accepts any employment for compensation with the 14 Government of the United States, or who works for any 15 agency of the United States Government through a personal services contract, within 5 years after the date of the separa-16 tion on which the payment is based shall be required to 17 pay, prior to the individual's first day of employment, the 18 19 entire amount of the incentive payment to the agency that paid the incentive payment. 20

(f) REDUCTION OF AGENCY EMPLOYMENT LEVELS.—
(1) IN GENERAL.—The total number of funded
employee positions in an agency shall be reduced by
one position for each vacancy created by the separation of any employee who has received, or is due to

receive, a voluntary separation incentive payment
 under this section. For the purposes of this subsection,
 positions shall be counted on a full-time-equivalent
 basis.

5 (2) ENFORCEMENT.—The President, through the
6 Office of Management and Budget, shall monitor each
7 agency and take any action necessary to ensure that
8 the requirements of this subsection are met.

9 (g) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect
10 October 1, 1996.

11 (150)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

12 SEC. 347. (a) REVIEW OF REPORTING OF EXCISE TAX 13 DATA.—Prior to September 30, 1996, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Transportation shall conduct 14 a review of the reporting of excise tax data by the Depart-15 ment of the Treasury to the Department of Transportation 16 for fiscal year 1994 and its impact on the allocation of Fed-17 eral aid highways. If the President certifies that all of the 18 19 following conditions are met:

20 (1) A significant error was made by the Treas21 ury in its estimate of Highway Trust Fund revenues
22 collected in fiscal year 1994.

23 (2) The error is fundamentally different from er24 rors routinely made in such estimates in the past.

1	(3) The error is significant enough to justify the
2	fiscal year 1997 apportionments and allocations of
3	Highway Trust Funds be adjusted; and finds that the
4	provision in subsection (b) corrects these deficiencies,
5	then subsection (b) will be operative.
6	(b) Calculation of Federal-Aid Highway Appor-
7	TIONMENTS AND ALLOCATIONS.—
8	(1) In General.—Except as provided in para-
9	graph (2), for fiscal year 1997, the Secretary of
10	Transportation shall determine the Federal-aid high-
11	way apportionments and allocations to a State with-
12	out regard to the approximately \$1,596,000,000 credit
13	to the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass
14	Transit Account) of estimated taxes paid by States
15	that was made by the Secretary of the Treasury for
16	fiscal year 1995 in correction of an accounting error
17	made in fiscal year 1994.
18	(2) Adjustments for effects in 1996.—The
19	Secretary of Transportation shall, for each State—
20	(A) determine whether the State would have
21	been apportioned and allocated an increased or
22	decreased amount for Federal-aid highways for
23	fiscal year 1996 if the accounting error referred
24	to in paragraph (1) had not been made (which
25	determination shall take into account the effects

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1	of section 1003(c) of the Intermodal Surface
2	Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (Public
3	Law 102–240; 105 Stat. 1921)); and
4	(B) after apportionments and allocations
5	are determined in accordance with paragraph
6	(1)—
7	(i) adjust the amount apportioned and
8	allocated to the State for Federal-aid high-
9	ways for fiscal year 1997 by the amount of
10	the increase or decrease; and
11	(ii) adjust accordingly the obligation
12	limitation for Federal-aid highways distrib-
13	uted to the State under this Act.
14	(3) NO EFFECT ON 1996 DISTRIBUTIONS.—Noth-
15	ing in this section shall affect any apportionment, al-
16	location, or distribution of obligation limitation, or
17	reduction thereof, to a State for Federal-aid highways
18	for fiscal year 1996.
19	(4) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take ef-
20	fect on September 30, 1996.
21	(151)Page 54, after line 16 insert:
22	SEC. 348. It is the sense of the Senate that Congress
23	should actively consider legislation to establish the Saint
24	Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation as a perform-

ance-based organization on a pilot basis beginning in fiscal
 year 1998.

3 (152)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

4 SEC. 349. FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION PROCURE5 MENT.

6 (a) SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the
7 Congress that the Administrator of the Federal Aviation
8 Administration should promote and encourage the use of
9 full and open competition as the preferred method of pro10 curement for the Federal Aviation Administration.

(b) INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT.—Not later than December 31, 1997, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation
Administration shall—

14 (1) take such action as may be necessary to pro-15 vide for an independent assessment of the acquisition 16 management system of the Federal Aviation Adminis-17 tration that includes a review of any efforts of the Ad-18 ministrator in promoting and encouraging the use of 19 full and open competition as the preferred method of 20 procurement with respect to any contract that in-21 volves an amount greater than \$50,000,000; and

(2) submit to the Congress a report on the findings of that independent assessment.

(c) FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION DEFINED.—For
purposes of this section, the term "full and open competi-

tion" has the meaning provided that term in section 4(6)
 of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C.
 403(6)).

4 (153)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

5 SEC. 350. 49 U.S.C. App. 2311 is amended by adding
6 the following new subsection:

"(D) NEBRASKA.—In addition to vehicles 7 8 which the State of Nebraska may continue to 9 allow to be operated under paragraphs (1)(a)10 and (1)(B) of this section, the State of Nebraska 11 may allow longer combination vehicles that were 12 not in actual operation on June 1, 1991 to be 13 operated within its boundaries to transport 14 sugar beets from the field where such sugar beets 15 are harvested to storage, market, factory or stock-16 pile or from stockpile to storage, market or fac-17 tory. This provision shall expire on September 18 30. 1997.".

19 (154)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

20 SEC. 351. (a) Section 120(c) of title 23, United States
21 Code, is amended by inserting "rail-highway crossing clo22 sure," after "carpooling and vanpooling,".

(b) Section 130 of such title is amended by adding atthe end the following:

"(i) Incentive Payments for At-Grade Crossing
 Closures.—

3	"(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
4	provision of this section and subject to paragraphs (2)
5	and (3), a State may, from sums available to the
6	State under this section, make incentive payments to
7	local governments in the State upon the permanent
8	closure by such governments of public at-grade rail-
9	way-highway crossings under the jurisdiction of such
10	governments.

11 "(2) INCENTIVE PAYMENTS BY RAILROADS.—A 12 State may not make an incentive payment under 13 paragraph (1) to a local government with respect to 14 the closure of a crossing unless the railroad owning 15 the tracks on which the crossing is located makes an 16 incentive payment to the government with respect to 17 the closure.

18 "(3) AMOUNT OF STATE PAYMENT.—The amount
19 of the incentive payment payable to a local govern20 ment by a State under paragraph (1) with respect to
21 a crossing may not exceed the lesser of—

"(A) the amount of the incentive payment
paid to the government with respect to the crossing by the railroad concerned under paragraph
(2); or

(B) \$7,500.

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2 "(4) USE OF STATE PAYMENTS.—A local govern3 ment receiving an incentive payment from a State
4 under paragraph (1) shall use the amount of the in5 centive payment for transportation safety improve6 ments.".

7 (155)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

8 SEC. 352. LIMITATION ON FUNDS USED TO ENFORCE REGU9 LATIONS REGARDING ANIMAL FATS AND VEG10 ETABLE OILS.

None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Coast Guard to issue, implement, or enforce a regulation or to establish an interpretation or guideline under the Edible Oil Regulatory Reform Act (Public Law 15 104–55) or the amendments made by that Act that does not recognize and provide for, with respect to fats, oils, and greases (as described in that Act or the amendments made by that Act) differences in—

- 19 (1) physical, chemical, biological, and other rel20 evant properties; and
- 21 (2) environmental effects.

22 (156)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

23 SEC. 353. (a) In cases where an emergency ocean con24 dition causes erosion of a bank protecting a scenic highway
25 or byway, fiscal year 1996 or fiscal year 1997 Federal
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Highway Administration Emergency Relief funds can be
 used to halt the erosion and stabilize the bank if such action
 is necessary to protect the highway from imminent failure
 and is less expensive than highway relocation.

5 (b) In cases where an emergency condition causes in6 undation of a roadway or saturation of the subgrade with
7 further erosion due to abnormal freeze/thaw cycles and dam8 age caused by traffic, fiscal year 1996 or fiscal year 1997
9 Federal Highway Administration Emergency Relief funds
10 can be used to repair such roadway.

(c) Not more than \$8,000,000 in Federal Highway Administration Emergency Relief funds may be used for each
of the conditions referenced in subsections (a) and (b).

14 (157)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

15 SEC. 354. THE RAILROAD SAFETY INSTITUTE.

Of the money available to the Federal Rail Administration up to \$500,000 shall be made available to establish
and operate the Institute for Railroad Safety as authorized
by the Swift Rail Development Act of 1994.

20 (158)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

21 SEC. 355. TRAIN WHISTLE REQUIREMENTS.

No funds shall be made available to implement the regulations issued under section 20153(b) of title 49, United

- 24 States Code, requiring audible warnings to be sounded by
- 25 a locomotive horn at highway-rail grade crossings, unless— HR 3675 EAS

1	(1) in implementing the regulations or providing
2	an exception to the regulations under section 20153(c)
3	of such title, the Secretary of Transportation takes
4	into account, among other criteria—
5	(A) the interests of the communities that
6	have in effect restrictions on the sounding of a
7	locomotive horn at highway-rail grade crossings
8	as of July 30, 1996; and
9	(B) the past safety record at each grade
10	crossing involved; and
11	(2) whenever the Secretary determines that sup-
12	plementary safety measures (as that term is defined
13	in section 20153(a) of title 49, United States Code)
14	are necessary to provide an exception referred to in
15	paragraph (1), the Secretary—
16	(A) having considered the extent to which
17	local communities have established public aware-
18	ness initiatives and highway-rail crossing traffic
19	law enforcement programs allows for a period of
20	not to exceed 3 years, beginning on the date of
21	that determination, for the installation of those
22	measures; and
23	(B) works in partnership with affected com-
24	munities to provide technical assistance and to

3 (159)Page 54, after line 16 insert:

4 SEC. 356. No funds appropriated under this Act shall
5 be used to levy penalties prior to September 1, 1997, on
6 the States of Maine or New Hampshire based on non-com7 pliance with Federal vehicle weight limitations.

- 8 (160)Page 54, strike out all after line 18 over to and9 including line 2 on page 55
- 10 (161)Page 55, strike out lines 3 through 9
- 11 (162)Page 55, strike out lines 10 through 19

12 (163)Page 55, after line 19 insert:

13 SEC. 403. The funds authorized to be appropriated for highway-railroad grade crossing separations in Mineola, 14 New York, under the head "Highway-Railroad Grade Cross-15 ing Safety Demonstration Project (Highway Trust Fund)" 16 in House Report 99–976 and section 302(l) of Public Law 17 99-591 are hereby also authorized to be appropriated for 18 19 other grade crossing improvements in Nassau and Suffolk 20 Counties in New York and shall be available in accordance 21 with the terms of the original authorization in House Re-22 port 99–976.

23 (164)Page 56, strike out lines 18 through 21
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1 (165)Page 56, after line 21 insert:

2 SEC. 405. The amount appropriated for the Lake 3 Shore Drive extension study, Whiting, Indiana, under the 4 matter under the heading "SURFACE TRANSPORTATION 5 **PROJECTS**" under the heading "FEDERAL HIGHWAY 6 ADMINISTRATION" in title I of the Department of 7 Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 8 1995 (Public Law 103–331; 108 Stat. 2478), shall be made 9 available to carry out the congestion relief project for the 10 construction of a 4-lane road and overpass at Merrillville, Indiana, authorized by item 35 of section 1104(b) of the 11 Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 12 13 (Public Law 102–240; 105 Stat. 2030).

14 (166)Page 56, after line 21 insert:

15 SEC. 406. HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT,16MICHIGAN.

17 Of the amount appropriated for the highway safety improvement project, Michigan, under the matter under the 18 heading "SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS" under the 19 heading "FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION" in 20 21 title I of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1995 (Public Law 103–331; 22 23 108 Stat. 2478), for the purposes of right-of-way acquisition for Baldwin Road, and engineering, right-of-way acquisi-24 25 tion, and construction between Walton Boulevard and Dixie

1 Highway, \$2,000,000 shall be made available for construc-

2 tion of Baldwin Road.

3 (167)Page 56, after line 21 insert:

4 SEC. 407. TRANSFER OF FUNDS AMONG MINNESOTA HIGH5 WAY PROJECTS.

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Such portions of the amounts appropriated for the Minnesota highway projects described in 7 8 subsection (b) that have not been obligated as of December 9 31, 1996, may, at the option of the Minnesota Department 10 of Transportation, be made available to carry out the 34th 11 Street Corridor Project in Moorhead, Minnesota, authorized 12 by section 149(a)(5)(A)(iii) of the Surface Transportation 13 and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (Public Law 100–17; 101 Stat. 181) (as amended by section 340(a) 14 of the National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 15 (Public Law 104–59; 109 Stat. 607)). 16

17 (b) PROJECTS.—The Minnesota highway projects de18 scribed in this subsection are—

(1) the project for Saint Louis County authorized by section 149(a)(76) of the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987
(Public Law 100–17; 101 Stat. 192); and
(2) the project for Nicollet County authorized by
item 159 of section 1107(b) of the Intermodal Surface

- Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (Public Law
 102-240; 105 Stat. 2056).
- **3** (168)Page 56, strike out line 22
- 4 (169)Page 56, strike out all after line 22 over to and
- 5 including line 25 on page 57
- 6 (170)Page 58, strike out lines 1 through 6Attest:

Secretary.

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